Tenure of IPS Officers on Deputation to CBI

2691. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the rules laid down by the Government regarding tenure of officers (IPS) on deputation to CBI;

(b) how many IPS officers at various levels (i.e. SP, DIG, JD) have completed their tenure and are on extensions;

(c) what are the guidelines for giving such extensions;

(d) whether such extensions are given under any special dispensations and if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) what steps are being taken to do away with such special dispensations to give extensions; and

(f) whether such extensions of tenure cause stagnation at various levels in CBI and if so, what remedial actions are being contemplated?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The period of deputation of IPS officers working in CBI is governed by the Tenure Rules for IPS officers. Deputation tenure for IPS officers in the rank of SP is 4 years and for DIG and IG 5 years. There is no fixed tenure in the rank of Additional DG and DG. IPS officers working in CBI if found to have special aptitude for working in CBI and whose retention is considered to be in public interest can be allowed and further tenure upto 3 years, in addition to the normal tenure subject to a maximum of 7 years. IPS officers already working as SP on promotion as DIG can be allowed a maximum tenure of 7 years or 3 years as DIG, whichever is later. IPS officers working as DIG on promotion as IG may be allowed a tenure of 3 years in the rank of IG, subject to a minimum of 5 years.

(b) 27 IPS officers i.e. 2 Joint Directors, 11 DIGs and 14 SPs have completed their normal tenure and are on extension. Among them, 1 Joint Director, 6 DIGs and 11 SPs are on extension permissible under the Rules. 1 Joint Director, 5 DIGs and 3 SPs have been allowed extension in relaxation of the Rules.

(c) and (d) Special aptitude for work in CBI and continuance in public interest are the two factors for giving extensions to IPS officers in CBI. Apart from this, IPS officers have been retained in CBI beyond permissible tenure under orders of Courts of Law when they are involved in investigation of cases being supervised by various Courts.

(e) CBI Selection Board headed by the Central Vigilance Commissioner has been constituted, to monitor extension in tenure of officers working in CBI.

(f) While granting extension in tenure, it is ensured that it may not have any adverse effect on promotion of officers working in the organisation without compromising the public interest and administrative requirement.

Terrorist Training Camps in POK

2692. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the terrorist training camps set up in the POK and whether this fact was discussed in the recent Indo-Pak delegates meeting;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Goverment to prevent Pak authorities to stop such activities?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) Government are aware about the infrastructure that exists in Pakistan and Pakistan Occupied Kashmir for recruiting training, financing and arming terrorists for the purpose of infiltrating them into India.

Pakistan has been provided details documentary evidence to establish the incontrovertible and irrefutable fact of it: sponsorship of terrorism in India. Government have consistently demanded that Pakistan should cease forthwith these activities. Pakistan has also been asked to close down its training camps in Pakistan and POK and head over terrorists and fugitives from the law who have been given sanctuary Pakistan. This demand was reiterated during the discussions between the Foreign Secretaries of India and Pakistan in October 1998 and between the Home Secretary of India and the Interior Secretary of Pakistan in November 1998. Government remain firm in their resolve to take all measures necessary to fully safeguard the country's security and territorial integrity.

Criminal Justice System in the Capital

2693. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the new-item published in the Pioneer, dated August 13, 1998, that 67 per cent of the rapists in the Capital manage to evade prosecution and the overall conviction rate in Delhi is a mere 38 per cent;

(b) if so, how do the conviction figures in respect of different crimes against women, and other heinous crimes like kidnapping, rape, murder, robberies, dacoities, crimes against girls and other minors in 1997 and 1998 so far compare with corresponding figures for 1990; and

(c) how far it augurs well for criminal justice system in the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

बाबरी मस्जिद के मामले

2694. **श्री मोहम्मद आज़म खान:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि 6 दिसम्बर, 1992 को बाबरी मस्जिद गिराये जाने के संबंध में केन्द्रीय अण्वेषण ब्यूरो द्वारा दायर मामलों के संबंध में सरकार की तरफ से अच्छे और प्रतिष्ठित अभिवक्ताओं को नियुक्त करके उच्च न्यायलय की लखनऊ खण्डपीठ में दायर निगरानी याचिका पर दिये गये स्थगन आदेश को खारिज करवाने के लिए कोई कार्रवाई न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं, जिसकी वजह से पिछले लगभग 14 महीनों से अभियुक्तों के आरोप निर्धारित नहीं किये जा रहे हैं और मुकदमों पर कार्यवाही भी शुरू नहीं हो पा रही है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी): लखनऊ में विशेष न्यायाधीश के न्यायालय (अयोध्या प्रकरण) में कार्यवाहियों पर इलाहाबाद उच्च न्यायालय द्वारा कोई स्थगन आदेश नहीं दिया गया है।

Distribution of adulterated namkeen in Hauz Khas

2695. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 500 people took seriously ill after eating adulterated Namkeen in Hauz Khas, New Delhi on the 25th November, 1998; and

(b) whether Government have since traced the culprits involved in this heinous crime and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) As per the hospital records intimated to Delhi Police, 210 persons reported for treatment at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and Safdarjung Hospital after having allegedly eaten adulterated "Namkeen" in Hauz Khas area of Delhi on the 25th the November, 1998.

(b) Delhi police have registered a case, but persons involved have not so far been indentified.